



INSTRUMENT OF GOVERNMENT

ABBEY CHURCH OF ENGLAND INFANT SCHOOL

1. The name of the school is **Abbey Church of England Infant School**.
2. The school is a Voluntary Controlled school.
3. The name of the governing board is The Governing Board of Abbey Church of England Infant School.
4. The governing board shall consist of :
 - 2 Parent governors;
 - 1 Local Authority governor;
 - 1 Staff governor;
 - 1 Head teacher governor (ex-officio);
 - 2 Foundation governors
 - 4 Co-opted governors
5. The total number of governors will be **11** (except at any time when the Head teacher has given notice that he/she chooses not to be a governor, when the total number of governors will be **10**).
6. The term of office for all governors shall be **four** years.
7. Foundation governors shall be appointed by the Coventry Diocesan Board of Education in consultation with the ***Parochial Church Council of the Church of St. Mary, Nuneaton***.
8. a) The holder of the following office shall be a foundation governor ex-officio: ***the incumbent of the ecclesiastical parish in which the school is situated***.

b) The Diocesan Director of Education and the appropriate Archdeacon shall appoint a foundation governor to act in place of the ex-officio foundation governor whose governorship derives from the office named in a) above, in the event that the ex-officio governor is unable or unwilling to act as a foundation governor, or has been removed from office under regulation 21(1) of the Regulations.

9. The Diocesan Director of Education and the appropriate Archdeacon are entitled to request the removal of any ex-officio foundation governor and to appoint any substitute governor.

10. Statement of Religious Ethos:

Recognising its historic foundation, the school will preserve and develop its religious character in accordance with the principles of the Church of England and in partnership with the Church at parish and diocesan level.

The school aims to serve its community by providing an education of the highest quality within the context of Christian belief and practice. It encourages an understanding of the meaning and significance of faith and promotes Christian values through the experience it offers to all its pupils.

11. This Instrument of Government comes into effect on **9th January 2018**.

12. This Instrument was made by order of Warwickshire Local Authority on **9th January 2018**.

13. This variation takes effect on **9th January 2018**.

14. A copy of this Instrument must be supplied free of charge to every member and associate member of the governing board (and the Head teacher if not a governor), as well as the trustees of the foundation of the school and the Diocesan Director of Education for Coventry Diocesan Board of Education.



**Approved by the Manager of Governor Services
on behalf of the Head of Education and Learning**